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The General Assembly,

Having considered the note by the Secretariat on the languages used for preparation of documents and publications of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia,[1]

1. *Recalls* its resolution 56/253 of 24 December 2001;

2. *Urges* the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia to comply with all relevant provisions of resolution 44 (IV) of 28 April 1977, whereby the Commission decided, inter alia, that all documents to be submitted to the Commission should, as far as possible, be drafted in Arabic;

3. *Takes note* of the note by the Secretariat on the languages used for preparation of documents and publications of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia[1] and looks forward to the report of the Secretary-General on the progress achieved in the production of documents and publications in Arabic as stipulated in its resolution 56/253 for its consideration at the fifty-seventh session.

[1] A/C.5/56/19.

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